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## MEDIA RELEASE

## Learn about project to connect elderly, disabled to broadband Internet

Georgetown, DE (May 3, 2012) Internet access has almost become a necessity for the American way of life. That's increasingly true for seniors and the disabled, who are turning to the Web to tap into resources and programs that can enrich and improve their lives.

Doug Tuttle, policy scientist with the University of Delaware Institute for Public Administration, will be the featured guest speaker at the May meeting of the Sussex County Advisory Committee for the Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities. Mr. Tuttle, principle investigator for the Delaware State Broadband Project, will talk about the initiative to assess broadband access in Delaware and identify areas where improvements will be in order. The goal is to help elderly and disabled populations use broadband to better access services they need. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. Monday, May 21, at the County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 N. DuPont Boulevard, in Georgetown.

The Sussex County Advisory Committee for the Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities is an 11member panel established by the Sussex County Council to be an advocate for programs and policies that benefit older and disabled residents. The committee meets every other month, in January, March, May, July, September and November. All meetings are open to the public.

The Advisory Committee's mission is to increase dialogue, make recommendations to Sussex County Council, and to give support, assistance and advice on significant issues and programs that may affect the lives of the county's aging and adults with physical disabilities populations.

For more information, visit the Advisory Committee's page at www.sussexcountyde.gov/committees.